

Senator Dick Monteith's Legislative Package for 2000

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SB 1336
SBA Loans -
Tax Credits
for Guaranty
Fees

Applicants for SBA loans are required to pay 2-3% of the loan amount as a "guaranty fee" which goes into a fund to cover loan defaults.

Allow applicants for SBA loans in counties with twice the annual unemployment rate and in enterprise zones to receive a tax credit for that fee and thereby encourage businesses to expand in those counties hardest hit by unemployment and in enterprise zones.



SB 1343
Dustin II

Victims' families, child protective services, and law enforcement agencies are unaware of where and when felony child abusers are paroled.

Require notification be given to victim's families, child protective services, and local law enforcement of a paroled child abuser's parole including conditions of parole. This would help them in monitoring the activities of the parolee.



SB 1351
School Safety
- Bully Bill

School administrators are prohibited by state law from expelling or transferring a student because of violent criminal activities that occurred off campus.

Give school administrators the authority to expell or tranfer a student which has been declared to be a ward of the court because of activities occuring off campus if that student poses a threat to others in school.



SB 1395
Bulk Sale of
Subdivided
Land

Building contractors must duplicate the public reporting process when they sell property between themselves.

Eliminate the public reporting requirements when building contractors sell more than 5 lots of property to other contractors as "stock in trade."



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SB 1521
Ag Tax
Credit for
Water
Reclamation
Projects

The Issue

Agri-business men & women place water filtration systems and water reclamation systems on their lands to prevent contaminated water from entering public water ways. There systems are very costly and place these CA agri-businesses at a competitive disadvantage.

The Solution

Grant those agri-business entities a tax credit for the costs of these systems to make the systems affordable and thus provide cleaner water to the public and allow those entities to maintain their competitive edge in the marketplace..



SB 1543

Drug-
Sniffing
Dogs in
Prisons

There is need of more specially trained drug-sniffing dogs in our state prisons.

Provide a drug-sniffing dog and a trained handler to Pelican Bay and Corcoran State Prisons (the prisons which house the most hardened criminals) for use in interdicting drugs.

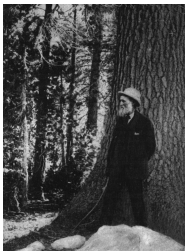


SB 1553

Eliminate
Double
Taxation on
Agricultural
Equipment

Owners of "implements of husbandry" [I.e., farm, dairy, horticultural, and logging] must annually pay property tax on the sales tax portion of the value of their equipment because it is part of their acquisition cost.

Grant owners of "implements of husbandry" a tax credit for that portion of their property tax which is levied on the sales tax part of their acquisition costs because it is a tax on a tax.






SB 1560

State Route
140 added to
Scenic
Highway
System

State route 140 runs northeast through Merced and Mariposa Counties. The eastern most leg runs along the Merced River to the Arch Rock Station entry to Yosemite National Park. Most of it is very scenic and beautiful. Arch Rock Station is one of four entryways to Yosemite Nation Park.

Add to the state scenic highway system.SR-140 from its intersection with SR-99 north and east to the Arch Rock Station entry to Yosemite National Park. Only the local county authorities in Merced and Mariposa Counties could designate which portions of the route would be treated as "scenic."



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| <u>SB 1609</u> Rural Schools Transport. | Rural schools cannot afford transporation costs for state mandated after school and summer school programs. | Create a system of funding for California's rural schools providing monies for transporation costs. (All school districts w/ less than 10 students per square mile or USDA defined "non-metropolitan" counties) |
|  <u>SB 1616</u> Graffiti Abatement | Judges in many small cities and counties are unsure of the proscribed parameters in sentencing "taggers" [those who create graffiti] because of references in the code to formally adopted "graffiti abatement programs." | Remove from the code references to formally adopted "graffiti abatement programs" thus giving all judges the same sentencing paramenters i.e. ordering a tagger to keep a certain area free from graffiti for a certain length of time, (also known as "adopt-a-block" programs). |
|  <u>SCR 66</u> SR-140 designated as "John Muir Highway" | What is a good way to promote tourism along the route from Merced to Yosemite? | Designate state route 140 from its intersection with State route 99 to the Arch Rock Station entry into Yosemite Park as the "John Muir Highway." Only the local counties would have the power to designate portions to be "scenic." |
|  <u>SCR 68</u> LUPUS ALERT DAY | Lupus is a disease which often fools both those afflicted and those who diagnose and treat the disease. 1.4 million Americans have lupus with 16,000 new cases per year. Lupus destroys the quality of life of for all afflicted with most of them being between 15 and 44 years old. The name "Lupus" alludes to the wolf <i>-lupus</i> because of the destructive injuries brought to mind by the bites of the wolf in comparisons with some lupus caused ulcers. | Declare April 1, 2000 (April Fools Day was specifically chosen by the American Lupus Foundation because of the "tricky" nature of the disease) as Lupus Alert Day in conjunction with many Chapters of the American Lupus Foundation throughout the state and nation. |